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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO BOX 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks. A petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action for three months, from December 21, 2005 to March 21, 2006 is being submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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